

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended) A method of allowing a user to transmit a message in a portable telephone, the portable telephone including a display device, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving previously requested data from a remote source;

displaying information representative of the previously requested data on the display device;

in response to a user input initiating a transmission mode from a SEND button, automatically selecting a form for a message to be transmitted based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

36. (Currently Amended) The A method according to claim 35, wherein the portable telephone is configured to send and receive electronic mail messages; and

wherein the step of automatically selecting a form for a message to be transmitted comprises the step of automatically selecting a form-response template for an outgoing electronic mail message based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

37. (Original) A method of enabling a portable telephone to allow a user to transmit a message, the method comprising the step of transmitting sequences of instructions from a host processing system to the portable telephone, the sequences of instructions including instructions which, when executed on the portable telephone, cause the portable telephone to perform the method recited in claim 35.

38. (Previously Amended) A machine-implemented method of allowing a user to transmit a message in a portable telephone, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving data from a remote source;

monitoring the content of the data for predetermined content; and

in response to detecting the predetermined content, automatically entering a mode for allowing a user to transmit a message from the telephone.

39. (Currently Amended) A-The machine-implemented method according-to-of claim 38, wherein the step of automatically entering a mode for allowing a user to transmit a message from the telephone comprises the step of automatically selecting a message to be transmitted in response to detecting the predetermined content.

40. (Currently Amended) A-The machine-implemented method according-to-of claim 38, wherein the step of automatically entering a mode for allowing a user to transmit a message from the telephone comprises the step of automatically selecting a format of a message to be transmitted in response to detecting the predetermined content.

41. (Currently Amended) A-The machine-implemented method according-to-of claim 40, wherein the telephone is configured to send and receive electronic mail messages and to display received electronic mail messages to a user; and

wherein the step of automatically selecting a format of a message to be transmitted comprises the step of automatically selecting a form for an outgoing electronic mail message in response to detecting the predetermined content.

42. (Original) A method of enabling a portable telephone to allow a user to transmit a message, the method comprising the step of transmitting sequences of instructions from a host processing system to the portable telephone, the sequences of instructions including instructions which, when executed on the portable telephone, cause the portable telephone to perform the method recited in claim 38.

43. (Currently Amended) A-The method according-to-of claim 36, wherein the form is pre-configured to include a destination address.

44. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone comprising:

a display device
means for receiving previously requested data from a remote source;
means for causing information representative of the previously requested data to be displayed on the display device;
means, responsive to a user input initiating a transmission mode from a send button, for automatically selecting a form for a message to be transmitted based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

45. (Currently Amended) The portable telephone according to claim 44, wherein the portable telephone is configured to send and receive electronic mail messages; and wherein the means for automatically selecting a form response template for a message to be transmitted comprises means for automatically selecting a form for an outgoing electronic mail message based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

46. (Currently Amended) A method according to The portable telephone of claim 45, wherein the form is pre-configured to include a destination address.

47. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone comprising:
an input device;
a display device;
a transceiver configured to receive a communication from a remote source over a wireless link; and
a control circuit coupled to the display device and the receiver, the control circuit configured to cause information representative of the communication to be displayed on the display device, the control circuit further configured to detect a user input at the input device initiating a transmission mode, and further configured to respond to the user input by displaying a user designated reply form selecting a form for a message to be transmitted based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

48. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone according to claim 47, wherein the transceiver is configured to send and receive electronic mail messages over the wireless link; and wherein the control circuitry is configured to automatically select a the user designated reply form for an outgoing electronic mail message based on a content of the displayed information at the time the user input is received.

49. (Currently Amended) A The portable telephone according to of claim 48, wherein the user designated reply form is pre-configured to include a destination address.

50-52. (Canceled)

53. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone comprising:
means for carrying out a two-way telephone communication over a wireless link;
means for receiving non-voice data from a remote source;
means for monitoring the content of the data for predetermined-user defined content; and
means, responsive to detecting the predetermined-user defined content, for automatically entering a transmission mode for allowing a user to transmit an electronic mail message from the telephone.

54. (Currently Amended) A The portable telephone according to of claim 53, wherein the means for automatically entering a mode for allowing a user to transmit an electronic mail message from the telephone comprises means for automatically selecting a message to be transmitted in response to detecting the predetermined-user defined content.

55. (Currently Amended) A The portable telephone according to of claim 54, wherein the means for automatically entering a mode for allowing a user to transmit an electronic mail message from the telephone comprises means for automatically selecting a format of a message to be transmitted in response to detecting the predetermined-user defined content.

56. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone communication device comprising:

a display device

a transceiver configured to carry out a two-way telephone communication and further configured to receive non-voice data from a remote source;

a control circuit coupled to the transceiver and the display device, the control circuit configured to detect predetermined user defined content in the non-voice data, to enter a transmission mode for allowing a user to transmit an electronic mail message in response to detecting the predetermined content, and to automatically select a message to be transmitted in response to detecting the predetermined content.

57. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the response template may be selected based on the identity of a sender of the displayed information.

58. (Currently Amended) The portable telephone of claim 45, wherein the response template may be selected based on the identity of a sender of the displayed information.